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'Police State' Drift Charged By Sen. Nelson

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Sen. Gaylord Nelson charged today that secret CIA subsidies, wiretapping by the government and the widespread use of detective agencies show a drift toward "police-state tactics" in America's free society.

Such practices are un-American, the Wisconsin Democrat said, and their worst feature is that "the victims are our own citizens and in many cases they are completely innocent of any wrongdoing."

He called for a full congressional investigation of "this whole sordid business."

In his prepared Senate speech, Nelson called attention to these practices: The Central Intelligence Agency's financing of the National Student Association and other private groups, government wiretapping and eavesdropping, the U.S. Information Agency's former subsidizing of book publishing and writing, and the use of private detective agencies by corporations and some government units.

Meanwhile there were new disclosures of CIA support of private organizations.

It was confirmed that a trade union received secret CIA funds that apparently were used to help organize labor strikes in British Guiana in 1962 and 1963 when Marxist Dr. Cheddi Jagan was premier.

Robert Hastings, executive assistant to the president of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, said that up to \$60,000 a year in CIA funds was channeled to the union through the Gotham Foundation from 1959 to 1964.

For some of that period, the union's leaders knew the source of the money and decided to use it anyway, he said.

Arnold Zander, former president of the federation, said earlier that the money went to Public Service International, a London-based labor organization which rented office space here from the federation.

According to Zander, Gotham paid the money directly to the small PSI staff here. He said he had approached a number of foundations seeking money to help organize labor unions and finance overseas activities, and that only Gotham responded.

The exposure of numerous such CIA "cover" foundations, meantime, caused a House panel to decide to reopen its investigation of the nation's foundations.

Rep. Joe L. Evins, D-Tenn., of the House Small Business Committee, said a subcommittee headed by Rep. Wright Patman, D-Tex., would look into the recent developments pertaining to CIA subsidizations through foundations.